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GO SLOW AFTER 50.

INCREASE OF THE MALE DEATH-RATE AT FIFTY-FIVE.

On the question of why we grow old, discussed in the Daily Mail in connection with the inquiry being carried out by Dr. Andrews, pathologist to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, on arterial decay, a doctor says:

"It is very important for men to recognize that the danger period is from the age of fifty or fifty-five onwards. Up to fifty the arteries respond fairly well to stress of ordinary life; but about that age a man must ease off decidedly or he will find himself going quickly down hill. This warning applies not only to physical but also to mental work. There are some exceptionally sound men over fifty-five who can do a day's hunting or shooting or work their brain at high pressure for eight or ten hours a day without apparent hurt; and there are also men who can eat and drink as freely at this age as when in full vigour. Probably they shorten their lives by a few years. The vast majority of men certainly cannot act in this way without bad consequences."

ONE-FOURTH LESS WORK.

At fifty a man should begin to go slow in every way; he should shun more leisurely, eat less, reduce his ordinary work by twenty-five per cent., and, never, in any circumstances, make an extraordinary effort, physical or mental."

Dr. Andrews' inquiry has been made because of the disquieting fact that the mortality among men over fifty-five has increased during the past half-century. At all ages under forty-five there has been a vast improvement. The following figures, giving the percentage increase or decrease in mortality per thousand at each age period between the years 1841-45 and 1906-10, show that men over fifty-five are dying in greater numbers—

Age.	Death-rate.
55-60	0 per cent. increase.
65-70	8 per cent. increase.
75-80	4 per cent. decrease.
85 and over	2 per cent. increase.

Women, as pointed out in the Daily Mail some time ago, are not affected by the strain of modern life. Their death rate shows improvement at all ages under eighty-five.

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NOTIFICATION No. 205.

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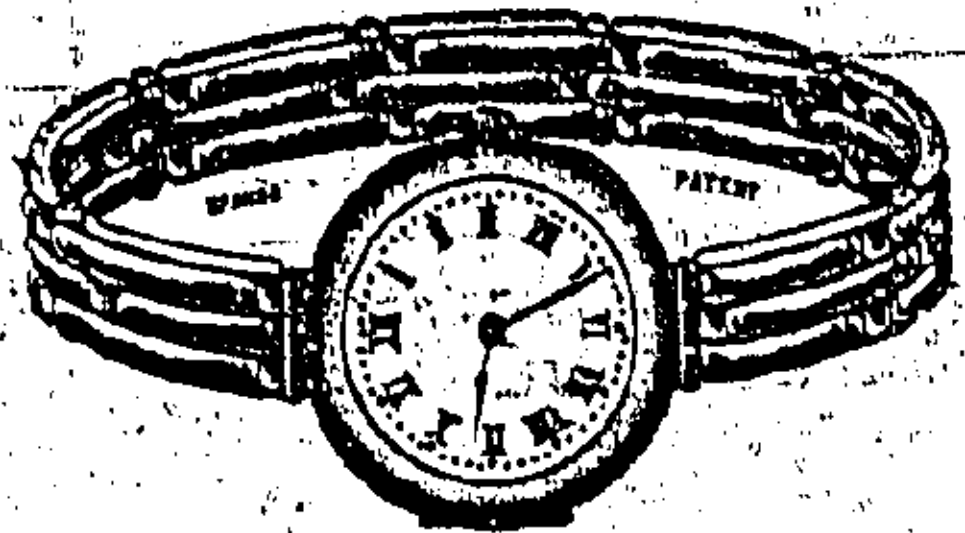
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held at the Office of the Under-
signed on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant,
at 11.45 A.M.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 7th to the
21st May, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
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Hongkong, May 5, 1913.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT
THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF this Company
will be held at the Office of Messrs
Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on
WEDNESDAY, the 21st May, at 12.30
P.M., for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors together with a
Statement of Accounts for 30th April, 1913.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY,
May 15th, to WEDNESDAY, 21st inst.,
inclusive.

W. S. BROWN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, May 7, 1913.

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THE BRIDGE INTO LIFE.

CONNECTING LINK BETWEEN THE DEAD
AND ANIMATE.

Just as there was trouble fifty years ago
about that elusive thing the missing link,
there is trouble to day about a problem
that is far more subtle—the bridge into
life. It is not very easy to state it. Yet
it comes somewhere very closely to the
heart of things.

The old problem was only a silly little
quibble that never mattered very much,
and was never seriously stated by any
scientific naturalist. Indeed, the old
counter-voxy of the "missing link" between
monkey and man is dead. The "bridge
into life" on which Dr. E. Frankland
Armstrong lectured at the Royal Insti-
tution turns on the clock of scientific
thought to a clearer idea. His bridge
leads from dead unorganised matter over
the seemingly hopeless river of dead
things into life. Only a few scientists who
work in laboratories know what enzymes
are. These are just as great a puzzle to
scientists as they are to the outside world.
Dr. Armstrong showed a set of powdery
green and brown and white, which,
although not living, have certain powers
which can be killed. They are not made
up of living cells, for they can be dissolved
in water. Yet each of these powers has a
curious life-power of its own.

The most interesting of these half-living
things is diastase. Dr. Armstrong showed
how in less than half a minute a slice of
potato could be dissolved just like sugar.
Diastase exists in the human saliva.
"You would find it very difficult," said
Dr. Armstrong, "to swallow any potato if
it were not for the diastase in your mouth."

Already these half-living things have
been pressed into service by the laundry-
men. Starch is one of the most insoluble
substances known. Neither soap nor
scrubbing brush can get it out of our
collars and shirts. The little half-living
ferment called diastase turns it into sugar
in a few seconds. So laundrymen buy this
wonderful powder and put a little of it
into the water that soaks our linen. If
soap is placed in the same tub, the ferment
dies and can do no good. It has to be
used very gently.

OPERATIC STAGE MORALS.

Mr. Hammerstein's View.

VITIATED ATMOSPHERE.

New York, April 2.

Mr. Oscar Hammerstein, who recently
announced his intention to give grand
opera in English in New York next season,
declared to-day, in an address before the
Women's Press Club, that he intended to
employ American artists trained in
America, because foreign-trained artists
were devoid of morality.

"The atmosphere of morality surround-
ing the grand opera-singers of to-day,"
said Mr. Hammerstein, "is very bad; in
fact, the moral atmosphere is entirely
lacking among singers. The old idea that
singers must have a foreign training, and
obtain foreign atmosphere is wrong. The
American girl goes to Europe to study for
the operatic stage, and the result in most
cases is that she gets into nauseating con-
ditions and bad, foul atmosphere. She
returns with a voice, but her head and her
heart are gone, and she finds the same at-
mosphere here."

"I want many men and womanly women
for my American opera, to give the moral
tone that opera has never had before, and
I shall get them by using Americans trained
in America. It is useless in any way to
attempt to use singers accustomed to
French, German, or Italian roles to sing in
English. The throat muscles used in
singing English lie quite or less dormant
under foreign training, and foreign voices
have to be trained anew to sing English
properly."

FORTY YEARS OF MAGIC.

HOW MR. MASKELYNE STARTED WONDER
WORKING.

The famous wonder-worker, Mr. J. N.
Maskelyne, founder of Maskelyne and
Devant's, starts upon his fortieth year of
conjuring work in London. Seen by a
representative recently, Mr. Maskelyne,
who is 73 years old, emerged from
his offices, where he was on the point of
completing a sensational invention. "I
have still a number of ideas to carry out,"
he said, "and though I am off the stage, I
am always busy as a mechanic. The thing
that first brought me into the business
was magic was Spiritism. About 40
years ago as a amateur conjurer I felt that I
could expose them by performing their
tricks by natural means."

"I was a watchmaker at the time, and
at Cheltenham I gave a challenge to two of
the finest 'mediums' there have ever been.
I fulfilled it after a month's practice. This
first entertainment of mine was so popular
that I had orders for all over the country.
So, much to my family's alarm, I gave up
my trade and took to magic. I opened on
April 140 years ago in London, with an
exposure of Spiritism, and then I took
the Egyptian Hall for three months, with
the idea of being able to put up a bill in
the provinces to the effect that I had
played in town. Well, the experiment
was such a success that I stayed here 33
years, and, as you see, we are here in town
still."

"This length of time, I believe, un-
precedented in the history of amusement,
and, of course, my business is the oldest
'magical entertainment' of all. One of
the things for which I give myself credit is
that I was the first to arrange, for daily
matinees in the amusement world. Sir
Henry Irving even followed me there. Of
course, I have had some amusing times
with the Spiritists. As first it was
quite difficult for us to make them believe
that we were not mediums. They used to
say that though I believed that I worked
by tricks, I was really subject to spiritual
influences I did not recognise."

"What am I proudest of inventing?
Well, it would be difficult to say. My
whist-playing automaton Psycho ran for
4,000 consecutive performances, and I
once had the idea of making a complete
automatic orchestra with an automaton
conductor. I got put the cornet and the
phonium, who proved excellent instru-
mentalists, but then I became occupied
with other things. However, my sketch-
ing automaton, who drew any well-
known face to demand, practised his
draughtsmanship for many a day. Then,
in 'Illusions,' I used to try to get out
things which would puzzle conjurers
themselves. My idea was that the sort
of people who like magic like coming
again and again to puzzle out the secret.
My present charming partner, Mr. Devant,
does not agree with puzzling other con-
jurers, and so we now confine ourselves to
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Outstanding Insurance amounts to 2,282,653,320
Assets amount to 2,104,938,555
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Dividends to Policyholders 10,675,157
Total paid Policyholders 1910 63,439,350
Total Expenses for 1910 10,999,079
Gross earnings from Interest 21,646,523
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Gross rate of Income from
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Authorized Capital 25,000,000
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Paid-up Capital 22,437,600
Life Fund 2,899,114
Life & Annuity Fund 15,133,150
Sinking Fund Account 83,513

Revenue Fire Branch 2,567,156
Life and Annuity 1,973,299
Branches 1,973,299
Revenue Marine Department 263,892
Other Receipts 430,193

25,233,912

The Accumulative Funds of the various
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Single and Double Bed Quilts, Tray and
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Cloths, and Serviettes, Gent's Summer
Vests, White and Cream Lace Curtains,
Ladies' and Gent's Hosiery, Irish Embroid-
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Wardrobes, &c., Dining Room Furniture,
&c., 2 Dinner Services and Dessert Ser-
vice, Crockery, Electro-plated—and a
quantity of good Glass Ware, 1 Cooking
Stove, Kitchen Utensils, Enamelled Ware,
Cutlery, &c.

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Works Department, by Order of His Ex-
cellency the Governor, of the Lots of
CROWN LAND at Leighton Hill, and
Shaukiwan Road respectively, in the
County of Hongkong, for a term of 75
years, with the option of renewal at Crown
Rents to be fixed by the Surveyor of
the Lands, for one further term of
75 years.

Particulars of the Lots.

Lot No. 1. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. 207. 208. 209. 210. 211. 212. 213. 214. 215. 216. 217. 218. 219. 220. 221. 222. 223. 224. 225. 226. 227. 228. 229. 230. 231. 232. 233. 234. 235. 236. 237. 238. 239. 240. 241. 242. 243. 244. 245. 246. 247. 248. 249. 250. 251. 252. 253. 254. 255. 256. 257. 258. 259. 260. 261. 262. 263. 264. 265. 266. 267. 268. 269. 270. 271. 272. 273. 274. 275. 276. 277. 278. 279. 280. 281. 282. 283. 284. 285. 286. 287. 288. 289. 290. 291. 292. 293. 294. 295. 296. 297. 298. 299. 300. 301. 302. 303. 304. 305. 306. 307. 308. 309. 310. 311. 312. 313. 314. 315. 316. 317. 318. 319. 320. 321. 322. 323. 324. 325. 326. 327. 328. 329. 330. 331. 332. 333. 334. 335. 336. 337. 338. 339. 340. 341. 342. 343. 344. 345. 346. 347. 348. 349. 350. 351. 352. 353. 354. 355. 356. 357. 358. 359. 360. 361. 362. 363. 364. 365. 366. 367. 368. 369. 370. 371. 372. 373. 374. 375. 376. 377. 378. 379. 380. 381. 382. 383. 384. 385. 386. 387. 388. 389. 390. 391. 392. 393. 394. 395. 396. 397. 398. 399. 400. 401. 402. 403. 404. 405. 406. 407. 408. 409. 410. 411. 412. 413. 414. 415. 416. 417. 418. 419. 420. 421. 422. 423. 424. 425. 426. 427. 428. 429. 430. 431. 432. 433. 434. 435. 436. 437. 438. 439. 440. 441. 442. 443. 444. 445. 446. 447. 448. 449. 450. 451. 452. 453. 454. 455. 456. 457. 458. 459. 460. 461. 462. 463. 464. 465. 466. 467. 468. 469. 470. 471. 472. 473. 474. 475. 476. 477. 478. 479. 480. 481. 482. 483. 484. 485. 486. 487. 488. 489. 490. 491. 492. 493. 494. 495. 496. 497. 498. 499. 500. 501. 502. 503. 504. 505. 506. 507. 508. 509. 510. 511. 512. 513. 514. 515. 516. 517. 518. 519. 520. 521. 522. 523. 524. 525. 526. 527. 528. 529. 530. 531. 532. 533. 534. 535. 536. 537. 538. 539. 540. 541. 542. 543. 544. 545. 546. 547. 548. 549. 550. 551. 552. 553. 554. 555. 556. 557. 558. 559. 560. 561. 562. 563. 564. 565. 566. 567. 568. 569. 570. 571. 572. 573. 574. 575. 576. 577. 578. 579. 580. 581. 582. 583. 584. 585. 586. 587. 588. 589. 590. 591. 592. 593. 594. 595. 596. 597. 598. 599. 600. 601. 602. 603. 604. 605. 606. 607. 608. 609. 610. 611. 612. 613. 614. 615. 616. 617. 618. 619. 620. 621. 622. 623. 624. 625. 626. 627. 628. 629. 630. 631. 632. 633. 634. 635. 636. 637. 638. 639. 640. 641. 642. 643. 644. 645. 646. 647. 648. 649. 650. 651. 652. 653. 654. 655. 656. 657. 658. 659. 660. 661. 662. 663. 664. 665. 666. 667. 668. 669. 670. 671. 672. 673. 674. 675. 676. 677. 678. 679. 680. 681. 682. 683. 684. 685. 686. 687. 688. 689. 690. 691. 692. 693. 694. 695. 696. 697. 698. 699. 700. 701. 702. 703. 704. 705. 706. 707. 708. 709. 710. 711. 712. 713. 714. 715. 716. 717. 718. 719. 720. 721. 722. 723. 724. 725. 726. 727. 728. 729. 730. 731. 732. 733. 734. 735. 736. 737. 738. 739. 740. 741. 742. 743. 744. 745. 746. 747. 748. 749. 750. 751. 752. 753. 754. 755. 756. 757. 758. 759. 760. 761. 762. 763. 764. 765. 766. 767. 768. 769. 770. 771. 772. 773. 774. 775. 776. 777. 778. 779. 780. 781. 782. 783. 784. 785. 786. 787. 788. 789. 790. 791. 792. 793. 794. 795. 796. 797. 798. 799. 800. 801. 802. 803. 804. 805. 806. 807. 808. 809. 810. 811. 812. 813. 814. 815. 816. 817. 818. 819. 820. 821. 822. 823. 824. 825. 826. 827. 828. 829. 830. 831. 832. 833. 834. 835. 836. 837. 838. 839. 840. 841. 842. 843. 844. 845. 846. 847. 848. 849. 850. 851. 852. 853. 854. 855. 856. 857. 858. 859. 860. 861. 862. 863. 864. 865. 866. 867. 868. 869. 870. 871. 872. 873. 874. 875. 876. 877. 878. 879. 880. 881. 882. 883. 884. 885. 886. 887. 888. 889. 890. 891. 892. 893. 894. 895. 896. 897. 898. 899. 900. 901. 902. 903. 904. 905. 906. 907. 908. 909. 910. 911. 912. 913. 914. 915. 916. 917. 918. 919. 920. 921. 922. 923. 924. 925. 926. 927. 928. 929. 930. 931. 932. 933. 934. 935. 936. 937. 938. 939. 940. 941. 942. 943. 944. 945. 946. 947. 948. 949. 950. 951. 952. 953. 954. 955. 956. 957. 958. 959. 960. 961. 962. 963. 964. 965. 966. 967. 968. 969. 970. 971. 972. 973. 974. 975. 976. 977. 978. 979. 980. 981. 982. 983. 984. 985. 986. 987. 988. 989. 990. 991. 992. 993. 994. 995. 996. 997. 998. 999. 1000.

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DEATH.
CLAYTON. On March 31, at Farnham,
Surrey, FRANCIS CLAYTON, Deputy Com-
missioner of Maritime Customs.MEMOS FOR TO-DAY
Bijou Theatre.
9.15 p.m.—The Sweetest Girl in Dixie
by Anglo-American Co., in Theatre
Royal.MEMO FOR TO-MORROW
9.15 p.m.—The Idler by Anglo-Amer-
ican Co., in Theatre Royal.General Memoranda.
MONDAY, May 12.—
Public Holiday.TUESDAY, May 13.—
3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.WEDNESDAY, May 21.—
11.45 a.m.—Meeting of Canton Insurance
Office, Ltd.
12.30 p.m.—Star Ferry Co.'s MeetingSATURDAY, May 31.—
Second Gymkhana.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 8, 1913.

CONDITION OF THE SHIP-
BUILDING TRADE.

NATURALLY those interested in the shipbuilding industry are watching keenly for every indication which will throw light on the question as to how long the present abnormal activity will continue, and the return issued this week by Lloyd's Register, says "Engineering" of April 11, indicating that there are 94,000 tons more merchant shipping in course of construction in the various yards in the United Kingdom than was the case three months ago. It must not be assumed, however, that this result is altogether due to a development of demand for shipping, far less a promise of its maintenance. With the recent great advance in wages to operatives in the shipbuilding yards, and the increased cost of all materials due to higher wages in steel and ancillary works, the prices quoted by builders for new shipping have had to be very greatly increased. Another contributive cause is the increased charges due to recent legislation. As a consequence of the higher rates quoted for all types of new shipping, there is much less hesitancy in placing orders, and the feeling in shipping circles is that until the prices become steadier there will not be many new ships put into construction. The increase shown in Lloyd's Returns is due to the bringing into evidence of work which was placed sometime ago at more favourable terms than are now quoted. There is thus a large volume of opinion which inclines to the view that the recent brisk demand for new tonnage has been met, or, at least, that it will not be maintained unless the cost of ships is reduced.

The total number of vessels, excluding warships, now in course of construction is 503, with a collective tonnage of 2,063,004 tons gross. This, as we have said, is 94,000 tons more than at the end of the past year, and is due to the fact that while 150 vessels of 386,800 tons were launched, the number of

vessels on which building operations were commenced is 170, with a total tonnage of 489,798. A few vessels on which work has been commenced have been stopped for some reason or other. Compared with a year ago, the increase is 377,000 tons. Thus the total marks another new record so far as work in progress is concerned, and the upward movement has been continued since the middle of 1909 with two slight checks, one towards the end of 1910 and the other in the autumn of 1911. It remains to be seen whether the impending check there will be a continued upward rise; but, as we have indicated, the prices have ceased to be conducive to enterprise by shipowners. When the warship tonnage is added to the total, the result is still more striking. We tabulate the main features of the work on hand now, three months ago, and six months ago:

	March 31, 1913.	Dec. 31, 1912.	Sept. 30, 1912.
Merchant ships	2,063,694	1,970,065	1,846,822
Warships in docks	132,190	151,840	122,341
H.M.S. in private yards	273,421	234,385	254,648
Foreign ships	150,700	117,650	117,650
Total	2,620,005	2,466,940	2,341,361

It will thus be seen that the aggregate, including warships, is 246,000 tons more than three months ago, and 281,000 tons more than six months ago. As regards merchant work, the improvement is shared by all the districts. In the Glasgow district there are 126 vessels, of 497,238 tons, in progress, about 30,000 tons more than three months ago, and 110,000 tons more than a year ago. At Greenock, where 71 vessels, of 311,483 tons, are in progress, the increase is 11,420 tons on the figure for the end of the last year, while as compared with April last year the increase is about 50,000 tons. On the Tyne, there are 76 vessels, of 335,314 tons, in process of building, 23,000 tons more than three months ago, and 74,000 tons more than a year ago. At Sunderland there are 58 vessels on the stocks, with an aggregate tonnage of 246,074 tons, which is 13,500 tons more than at the beginning of the year, and 44,624 tons more than twelve months ago. The position on the Tees has not improved since the end of last year, but the tonnage is 24,000 tons more than twelve months ago, the total number of vessels now in progress being 34, of 108,210 tons. At Hartlepool the tonnage was 78,230 tons a year ago, and 98,844 tons three months ago, while now it is 100,805 tons—the measurement of 22 steamers. There has been very little change in the situation at Belfast, the figures ranging from 326,740 tons to 330,390 tons, the total of the 26 vessels now building. At Hull there is a slight increase, the 39 vessels now building being of 30,220 tons. At Liverpool there has been an advance from 15,988 tons to 44,927 tons. It may be added that the warships in progress include ten battleships, some of which, however, are in a fairly advanced stage, two battle cruisers, one of which is ready for trial, six light-armoured cruisers, four protected cruisers, one third-class cruiser, 30 torpedo-bomb destroyers, and 13 submarine boats, all for the British Navy; while the foreign work includes four battleships, one battle-cruiser, and eight other vessels.

The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Mrs. H. Good will no doubt be cleared up to-day, says the N. C. Daily News of the 3rd inst., when an inquiry is to be opened by the British authorities on the body of an elderly woman found yesterday lying on the foreshore. It is stated that the body resembles the description of Mrs. Good, given to the Police after her sudden disappearance more than a week ago. Shortly after noon yesterday a River policeman came across the body some 300 yards below Battery Creek, and upon instructions he removed it to the Mortuary. The Coroner was apprised of the occurrence, and an inquiry into the circumstances is to be held.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

The French Mail of the 8th April was delivered in London on the 7th May.

The French cruiser Decidée arrived here yesterday, and the Portuguese cruiser "Alamaster" arrived this morning.

A blind Chinese and a one-armed man were charged by P. O. John Clarke before Mr. Melbourn with begging for alms. They were fined \$5 each.

For being in unlawful possession of a quantity of morphine, a Chinese was fined \$300 or two months' by Mr. Melbourn at the Magistrate's day.

A Chinese who was knocked down by a motor car, near No. 8 Police Station, Cause Road, received slight injury to his ankles. He refused to go to hospital.

At a meeting of the directors of Lane Crawford & Co., Ltd., Shanghai, held on the 1st inst. it was decided to recommend the payment of a dividend of 10 per cent. for the financial year ended February 23, 1913.

In the daily plague return appear particulars of four fatal cases. Two occurred on boats in the harbour, one at Shaikwan; and the other was imported from Canton. All the fifty-one cases reported this year are Chinese.

We have been asked to state that the wharf which the steamers of the Messageries Maritimes will in future use at Canton was not formerly owned by the Hongkong and Shanghai Steamship Company, but is Chinese property.

The Portuguese clerk Antonio F. dos Remedios, who was charged with the theft of copy-press letters and a telegraph code the property of Messrs. H. Cruz and Co., was discharged by Mr. Melbourn on the ground of insufficient evidence.

The Hongkong Club will have its opening day on Wednesday, the 14th inst. at 4 p.m., when members of the Club will be "At Home" to their friends. Further announcement will appear later in our advertising columns.

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ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

A Stage Struck Eurasian.

At the Magistrate's day before Mr. Melbourn, Norman Elgin, 23, a Eurasian, was charged by Inspector McHardy with attempting to commit suicide by hanging himself.

Mr. C. W. Mason, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, defended.

A Chinese contractor, of Queen's Road East, said that at 8.50 last night he returned to the house and heard women making a noise and acting very excitedly. They said that someone was trying to commit suicide in a cubicle. Witness broke into the cubicle and found the defendant hanging by a cord. Witness cut the cord, and the defendant was taken to No. 2 Police Station after the police had been informed.

In reply to Mr. Mason, witness said the defendant smelt of drink. After the cord was cut defendant lay on the bed and went to sleep.

A Chinese constable deposed to arresting the defendant.

To Mr. Mason: He had no marks on his throat.

Inspector McHardy said the defendant was brought to the station the previous night shortly after ten o'clock. Witness saw a bluish mark round the man's neck. His eyes were staring. Witness asked him why he wanted to commit suicide, and he said he had been drinking samshu. At the station, however, he appeared to be perfectly sober. He had been out of employment for some time.

To Mr. Mason: The defendant was black in the face when brought to the Police Station.

Mr. Mason said this was a mere freak more than an attempt to commit suicide. Defendant was a broker, and was earning a fair income. He had been to the theatre several times and had seen hangings, he thought he would see what it was like.

The Magistrate: He wanted a new sensation?

Mr. Mason said that was so, as he had tried all the ordinary common or garden ones. There was no motive for committing suicide.

Defendant went into the witness box and gave the explanation of his conduct. He said he had had over a cat's paw samshu. He had no trouble of any kind and earned good money.

Inspector McHardy said the man had no previous convictions, but his character was indifferent.

Defendant was bound over in a personal bond to be of good behaviour for six months.

Inspector McHardy: Shall I give him his cord back, your Worship? (Laughter.)

Mr. Melbourn: Yes, let him have it back.

THE ROYAL ARTILLERY COMMAND.

The appointment of Commanding Royal Artillery, South China Command, vacant by the posting home of Lieut. Colonel A. J. Mullins, R.G.A., has been filled by the promotion to the position of Lieut. Colonel Major H. W. Iles, Commanding 6th Coy. R.G.A. at Hongkong.

Lieut. Colonel Iles joined the Royal Artillery as Lieutenant in 1893, was promoted Captain in 1895 and Major in 1904. His staff services include the appointments of Adjutant of Volunteers, 1892 to 1897, and R.G.A. India, 1893 to 1898. He has seen much fighting in India, being in the Hazara Expedition, 1898, Burmese Expedition 1880, Burma War 1880 and the Expedition to Manipur 1891, being wounded in September, London Gazette of 14th August, 1891.

THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PLAYERS.

PAID IN FULL.

A very remarkable play was staged at the Theatre Royal last night by the Anglo-American Players under the title of "Paid in Full." The play deals with a certain phase of life in an American city in such a manner that while really a Socialist sermon is preached, the preacher is himself such a contemptible character that his views almost lose their weight and what might be good in them by the weakness of character of the man who is imbued with and expounds the Socialist ideas. The play could not be placed in the category which we have become accustomed to term "problem plays," but nevertheless the story that was unfolded gives ample food for reflection, for although the groundwork is American, the theme applies to many places outside the States. There are some very delicate situations in the story, and the author (Eugene Walter) treats them carefully and indecisively. As the young man with Socialist ideas (Joseph Brooks) Mr. Orrin Knox portrays, a very fine study, presenting in a very skilful manner a somewhat difficult part, Miss May Roberts, as Emma Brooks, his wife, might easily have made her part too melodramatic, but she is too accomplished an actress to spoil the effect of good acting by an over-display of heroics. In the very effective scene with Mr. L. Victor Giffard as Captain Williams there was some really good acting, and Mr. Giffard, perhaps, showed up better in this act than he did in any one of the other three. Mr. Carl Case as James Smith made a very favourable impression with his breezy manner and easy style. His efforts won't long way towards the success of the play. Miss Gene-Yarborough as Mrs. Harris, Miss E. John Fox as Beth Harris, and Mr. Chas. Stokes as Sam were all good in their respective roles. The audience was not so large as one might have wished, and the Company is certainly deserving of more support than it has received so far.

To-night will be staged "The Sweetest Girl in Dixie."

LAWN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Nisbet Defeats Joseland.

On the Hongkong Cricket Club ground last evening H. A. Nisbet successfully defended his title of champion of the club against A. N. Joseland, finalist of the championship singles competition. The match, which was interesting throughout the four sets to which it ran, was watched by a large attendance of spectators, among them being H.E. Sir Henry May. The game was played in an exceptionally strong light, the sun being very hot indeed.

Joseland picked up the first set rather easily, the score being 6-2. Neither player seemed to settle down until the last game in this set, but Joseland was playing very vigorously, especially in the opening games. Nisbet played very skilfully in the second set, and the result being a reversal of the first set score. The feature of this set was Nisbet's high lob. In the third the winner changed his play, striving to skin the net, the games resulting 6-4 in his favour. Good all-round play was put into the fourth by both players the score being 6-4.

Joseland opened play and lost the first three points, but rallied and rather unexpectedly took the first game and had obtained a lead of three before Nisbet, who did not seem to be playing very confidently, managed to secure. His placing was faulty, and his back-hand not at all certain at this stage of the game. The fourth game saw Nisbet getting in some excellent service and this practically gave him the point. The fifth set went to Joseland, the score being 4-1 in his favour. Nisbet's serve again stood him in good stead, and his placing kept Joseland on the move, but to no purpose. In the last two games of the set, which finished 6-2 in favour of the challenger, some very pretty volleys were seen, and one or two of Joseland's returns from difficult positions were very good.

The score in the second set was a reversal of that in the first. Joseland commenced service, and lost the first two games in spite of the fact that Nisbet several times failed with the smashes which are such a feature of his play and in the second game gave a double fault. Joseland secured the next game, Nisbet failing to return after some sharp volleys, and to reach a nicely placed ball on the back-line. Nisbet's service was faulty in the fourth game, another double fault resulting, but he matched the game's Joseland finding some high balls somewhat disconcerting in the brilliant light. The seventh game went to Joseland, Nisbet's returns more often than not being faulty, but he settled down and playing carefully won the set by the same margin as he was defeated by in the first.

In the third set, which was commenced on equal terms, Nisbet managed to achieve what he had evidently been striving for in the latter games of the last set—a return which just skimmed the net. Several times the ball struck the net and rolled over, and as Joseland was generally unable to return it was chiefly by this play that the defender secured the first two games. Joseland recovered and managed to take the score to three all by careful placing, and effective net play of which a useful smash was a feature. Nisbet returned very cleverly. Nisbet won the eighth and ninth games, the score reading 5-4 in his favour. In the next the champion found his opponent out of position with a back-line ball at 40-15 and won the set 6-4.

In the final set Nisbet again claimed the first two games. In the second he dropped a point by slipping. Joseland made a double fault in the third game, but managed to win and by careful play managed to take the fourth also. Nisbet took the score to 4-2 but Joseland rallied again, and four all was called. Joseland got a lot of sting into his serve, but double faulted with a lead of thirty love and Nisbet, picking up the next two points, won. Both men lobbed in the last game, in which deuce was twice called, Nisbet running out with a lightning service and winning by 6-4.

MATCHES WITH HARMONIA.

The committee of the Hongkong Cricket Club has arranged an attractive fixture for Whit Monday afternoon, when the Huihong Tennis Club will play a number of matches against club members on the cricket ground. The programme will include men's doubles, men's singles and one mixed doubles match. More interest than over appears to have been taken in tennis in the Colony so far this season, and there will doubtless be a large attendance at these matches.

CHINESE FIREMEN REFUSE DUTY.

TWELVE WEEKS FOR INSUBORDINATION.

Eleven Chinese firemen on the steamship Yilong appeared before the Marine Magistrate, Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., this morning on a charge of refusing to obey the lawful commands of the master of the vessel.

Mr. E. Wrightson, captain of the Yilong and the men were charged at Hongkong on February 7 at the expiration of their old articles. The ship arrived in port on May 1st and on the 4th the N. A. Franklin asked witness on behalf of the defendants to discharge them all. Witness pointed out that their articles had not expired and that they had been paid extra wages in return. Nothing further happened on May 7 when the whole of the firemen asked for leave to go ashore to the shipping master; this was given and by their return the men refused to do any more work. The police were sent for and the men but as they persisted in refusing duty they were arrested.

Corroborative evidence having been given most of the defendants stated that they did not know the terms of their articles till yesterday.

SHANGHAI SPRING MEETING.

THIRD DAY'S RESULTS.

Through the courtesy of the Hongkong Club we are able to publish the remainder of the results of yesterday's racing at the Shanghai spring meeting—

THE SHANTUNG STAKES.—One mile and a quarter.
Mr. Fritz Breitling's Liebesbrief (Mr. Lindsay) 1
Mr. S. B. M. Bremner's Chancellor (Mr. Browner) 2
Messrs. Winsome and Hasty's The Petrol (Mr. Hearl) 3

Time: 2min. 30.4secs.
THE FARM-MOUNTAIN STAKES.—One mile and a half.

Mr. Evelyn's Cherry Tree (Mr. Vida) 1
Mr. P. Minton's Inkerman (Mr. Rowe) 2
Mr. H. Morris' Cornfield (Mr. Moller) 3
Time: 3min. 12.3secs.

THE RACING STAKES.—One mile.
Mr. Evelyn's Sir Brian (Mr. Vida) 1
Mr. H. Morris' Cornfield (Mr. Moller) 2
Mr. John Peel's Bienenwark (Mr. Heard) 3
Time: 2min. 07.1secs.

THE TOWN STAKES.—One mile and three-quarters.
Mr. W. B. Jackson's Somers (Mr. Vida) 1
Mr. J. Johnstone's Black Ivory (Mr. Brand) 2
Mr. Perry's Porphyry (Mr. Brand) 3
Time: 3min. 43secs.

THE MANCHESTER STAKES.—One mile and a quarter.
The B. E. K. sign's The Gay Bird (Mr. Brand) 1
Mr. Shanghai's Nomenclature (Mr. Laurence) 2
Mr. John Peel's Friar's Palace (Mr. Heard) 3
Time: 2min. 37secs.

THE COVENTRY STAKES.—One mile and a quarter.
Mr. M. H. Hamilton (Mr. Brand) 1
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Mahatma Chief (Mr. Hill) 2
Mr. P. Minton's Marston (Mr. Rowe) 3
Time: 2min. 30.2secs.

THE CHARTERED SWEETSTAKES.—One mile and a quarter.
Mr. H. Morris' Castleside (Mr. Moller) 1
Mr. Shubert's President (Mr. Hayes) 2
Messrs. Winsome and Hasty's The Onion (Mr. Crishon) 3
Time: 2min. 35secs.

THE NIT. DEBENTURE STAKES.—Seven furlongs.
The B. P. Kong's The Night Bird (Mr. Brand) 1
Mr. Evelyn's Sir Tristan (Mr. Middleton) 2
Mr. Dugor's England (Mr. Dalgarno) 3
Time: 1min. 47.4secs.

NON-EXISTENT DEFENDANTS.
A Peculiar Case.

In the Summary Court this morning two actions were heard by the Police Judge, Mr. Justice Kemp, against a Chinese firm called the Kwong Hong which, it was stated in evidence is now in existence.

The first was a claim of \$230.27 brought by Messrs. P. H. H. and J. H. H. for damages sustained by defendant's breach of contract.

Mr. P. W. Goldring said the circumstances of the case were rather peculiar. The Kwong Hong firm was no longer in existence and he could not therefore say strictly that he was appearing for it. His clients were the successors of the Kwong Hong, and they wished to have an adjournment that some arrangement might be made between the parties.

Mr. Jackson for the plaintiffs, opposed an adjournment. His friend was not properly before the court. If the Kwong Hong had ceased to exist Mr. Goldring could not appear for it. The writ was issued as far back as January.

Mr. Goldring said, the firm was not in existence even then; it was wound up last December.

Mr. Leo D'Almada, who represented the plaintiffs in the second case against the same defendants, stated that the new firm took over the accounts of the old firm and were therefore liable.

Mr. Jackson asked for formal judgment, though he did not expect it was worth less costs. The claim was for breach of a contract for the delivery to and acceptance by defendants of certain goods. The goods were sold by auction and the difference between the two prices was now claimed.

A similar order was made in regard to the second case, a claim of \$200 brought by Mr. W. Shawan trading as Messrs. Shawan and Co., for defendants' breach of a contract for the delivery to them of certain pieces of goods.

Mr. D'Almada quoted the Sale of Goods Ordinance to show that plaintiff could recover even if the goods had not passed.

Judgment was entered for plaintiffs with costs.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH POLITICS.

RE-INTRODUCTION OF IMPORTANT BILLS.

LONDON, May 8.
In the House of Commons, amid cheers and counter-cheers, the Scottish Home Rule Bill, the Welsh Disestablishment Bill and the Scottish Temperance Bill were re-introduced.

KING ALFONSO.

LONDON, May 8.
A telegram from Paris states that King Alfonso was cheered by large crowds, and on attending the parade of the troops he received another ovation.

TURCO-BALKANS WAR.

"WORST IS OVER."

LONDON, May 7.
The decision of Montenegro is received with satisfaction in Sofia. The Vienna-Press hopes that Austria will not be involved in a perilous adventure in Albania with the risk of friction with Italy, and declares that Esad Pasha, despite the reports to the contrary, is observing the correct attitude. Austria possibly will endeavor to secure co-operation with the new Albanian Government.

Reuter states that diplomats believe that the worst is over.

INTERNATIONAL OCCUPATION OF SKUTARI.

Reuter learns that in pursuance of the proposals of the Ambassadors the international naval detachments will occupy Skutari, remaining there until the Albanian administration has been established.

THE PEACE TERMS.

The Ambassadors have telegraphed to their Governments the draft of the terms of peace, and expect that they will receive approval on Thursday. No time would then be lost in communicating with the belligerents.

MORE ANTI-ALIEN LEGISLATION IN AMERICA.

LONDON, May 7.
The Assembly of Arizona has passed almost unanimously a Bill prohibiting any alien who has not declared his intention to become naturalized from acquiring real property.

YORKSHIRE MINERS AND NON-UNIONISTS.

"ANOTHER STRIKE PENDING."

LONDON, May 7.
A ballot of the Yorkshire miners on the question of striking to compel non-unionists to join the Union resulted in 66,299 voting for and 7,784 against.

THE GREEK REGICIDE.

LONDON, May 7.
A later telegram states that Schinas was being examined in the Magistrate's Office, and on the attention of the Magistrate being temporarily diverted, he took advantage to dash through the window, falling thirty feet, with, as stated in yesterday's "China Mail," fatal result.

SIR EDWARD CARSON MARTIALLY INCLINED.

LONDON, May 7.
The Unionist papers state that Sir Edward Carson is going to Belfast and will relinquish his legal work for at least three months. He will marshal the Loyalist forces for a decisive fight against Home Rule, and will tour Ulster, addressing informal gatherings of the leaders, who have completed the details of resistance.

THE PORTUGUESE NAVY.

LONDON, May 7.
The Daily Telegraph states that a syndicate of six British firms has secured a contract to build two cruisers, six destroyers, three submarines and a depot ship for submarines, for Portugal, at a cost of £1,500,000, the contract to be completed in two years.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HOME RACING.

THE CHESTER CUP.

LONDON, May 8.
The result of the Chester Cup race (3 miles) which took place yesterday at Chester was:—

The Guller 1
Lorenzo 2
Lindsay Gordon 3

The betting was 20 to 1 against The Guller, 9 to 2 against Lorenzo and 9 to 1 against Lindsay Gordon. Nineteen ran, three lengths divided first and second and a head second and third.

Lorenzo was favorite. The place betting was 2 to 1 against Lorenzo, the others at proportionate odds.

MORE SUFFRAGETTE DESTRUCTION.

BOMB FOUND IN ST. PAULS CATHEDRAL.

LONDON, May 8.
A clockwork bomb has been found beneath the Bishop's throne in St. Paul's Cathedral, and a policeman hurriedly placed it in water. Another bomb was found at the "Daily News and Leader" office, and it was also immersed. Another is reported to have been found in a city doorway.

Suffragettes have burned the Bowling Green Pavilion at Fulham Park and an unoccupied house at Finsbury, while they have attempted to set on fire two bungalows near Bexhill.

POTENTIALITIES OF EAST AFRICA.

IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATIONS.

LONDON, May 8.
Letters from the Right Hon. Alfred Lyttelton upon East Africa, which country he lately visited, are appearing in *The Times*. Mr. Lyttelton strongly urges needful expenditure on Uganda Railway and the improvement of Port Killindini for the purpose of making them thoroughly competent to deal with the immense increase of out-going and in-coming traffic which is certain in the future. He recommends the establishment of a Harbour Board and, if possible, also an Inter-Colonial Advisory Committee for the purpose of dealing with transport questions.

NATIONAL MILITARY SERVICE.

LORD ROBERTS' CAMPAIGN CONCLUDED.

LONDON, May 7.
Lord Roberts concluded a campaign lasting three months in advocacy of National Military Service at Glasgow, when 20,000 people assembled in three halls.

Extracts from the speech were thrown on the screens at the Cinema Palaces.

The Duke of Montrose presided at the principal meeting, where Lord Roberts, quoting "Scots, wha hae," appealed to Scotsmen to play their part in national defence. When he reflected on the progress of the movement he recalled, he said, the sighting of the minarets of Kandahar, and knew the end of a great resolve and task was near.

(Wah Teo Yat Po's Service.)

CHINESE NEWS.

PERING, May 8.

The financial representatives of the Five Power group have declared that the financial condition of China is so serious that without assistance the nation would be bankrupt. It is for this reason that the big loan has been concluded, instead of small loans which would render but small assistance. The representatives express confidence in Yuan Shih Kai's control of the money.

Telegrams from Ulanuti report that Russia is to increase the troops stationed there.

Intense anxiety prevails in Canton circles at Peking owing to the reports of unrest and an uprising at Wuhan and Haiping. A Reuter telegram from Canton states that Canton officials are enforcing the Manchu law for the suppression of newspapers. This action is considered extraordinary. A sum of \$50,000 has been appropriated for a memorial to the late Sang Chiao Jen.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

OPIMUM DEBATE IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, May 8.

In the House of Commons, Rev. Townyn Jones called attention to the question of Opium traffic, and moved that "the House again records its conviction that the Indo-Chinese opium trade is morally indefensible." He called on the Government to release China from her treaty obligations to admit the Indian and to allow her to prohibit the importation of stocks accumulated at the Treaty Ports and at Hongkong.

He vigorously denounced the traffic as the greatest curse in China, and the greatest disgrace to Great Britain. He asked whether while the churches in Britain were praying for China the British Government were going to be the only obstacle to the fulfilment of the prayers, which "God forbid," he added.

Mr. T. Edmund Harvey (L.) in supporting, said that the Convention of 1911 had been a step forward, but was not enough, as a new situation had arisen, and, he added, "we should take the first step and not wait for China to approach us officially."

Mr. Henry Keewick (U.) said that speaking with a knowledge of nineteen years of China, he declared that opium smoking was no more evil than taking a glass of beer or wine. They found junkies dealing with the question just as cranky as those dealing with the "beetroot" question. "We made a bargain with China," he said, "whereby we forego money advantages to assist China to regenerate herself. To quote the abolitionists: 'We have done our part, and the Chinese Government is undoing it.' So long as that was so, he deprecated any resolution such as the one at present, especially now when the Government of China was undergoing transformation. "Care," he said, "should be taken that the interests of His Majesty's subjects and traders out there should not suffer."

THE TAI ON PIRACY.

Charge of Receiving.

At the Magistrate's Court this afternoon, before Mr. McMahon, Inspector Cameron charged a Chinese with receiving a gold watch and silver chain, the property of Miss G. E. Dunk, value \$40. It will be remembered that the watch and chain were taken from Miss Dunk on board the s.s. Tai On, which was pirated in the West River on April 2nd.

Mr. Goldring, who defended, asked if the Crown was asking for the case to be sent to Sessions.

Mr. King, Asst. Supt. of Police, replied in the affirmative.

The Magistrate said that was rather rough on the defendant. Mr. Goldring was not ready to finish this evening, and that would mean the July Sessions.

Mr. King said he could not finish that afternoon. The case had been remanded for five weeks on the application of the defence. The man was found in possession of the watch at Yauwai on April 4th. He was not able to call the owner of the watch, but Rev. Mr. Blanchett would be able to prove the ownership of the watch.

Rev. G. J. Blanchett was then called, and said he was a Church Missionary Society clergyman, residing at Canton. Miss Dunk was a lady missionary and was the daughter of a clergyman. She was stationed at Huk Shan city. Miss Dunk came to stay with him from Canton whilst he was staying in Hongkong. She arrived on March 31st, and left on the evening of April 2 by the Tai On. Miss Dunk had a gold brooch in her blouse, a travelling clock, a gold watch and silver chain. He was able to identify the watch by the chasing, and the initials on it. The name "G. E. Dunk" was engraved on the inside. The chain was identical with the one he had seen Miss Dunk wearing many times.

Witness next saw the watch and chain at the Central Police Station on April 25. Dr. McKenny who examined the defendant in goal on April 11, stated that the man had scratches on his legs and feet. The inner part of the sole of each foot was scratched. The marks had been there at least for five days. It was very improbable that the scratches were self-inflicted, and they might have been caused by a blunt instrument.

A Chinese detective (No. 145) deposed to arresting the defendant on April 4th at 4.30 in Reclamation Street, Yauwai. Defendant was carrying a bundle in a handkerchief. On the way to the Police Station defendant made many attempts to run away. Witness saw Inspector Cameron search the defendant. The case was proceeding as we went to press.

SHAMSEEN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Minutes of a Committee meeting held 1st May, 1913.

Present:—Messrs. L. H. Gilman (Chairman), F. W. Carey, C. V. Lanning, R. C. Martin, M. Steger and the Secretary Mr. R. T. Matheson. Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

WINE SHEDS STATION.

The Chairman stated that he had written to Mr. Farmer re the lease of the land on which the Fire Brigade Station now stands in terms decided on at the last meeting. Mr. Farmer had agreed to these terms with the only alteration that rent will commence three months from, instead of on, the date of signing the lease. A draft of the building lease had been received from Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, which will be circulated for the perusal of members and then submitted to Mr. Farmer for approval.

STEEL JETTY.

The Chairman stated that Messrs. Thomas and Adams had promised to submit as soon as possible an estimate for a steel jetty at both ends of the jetty.

A letter to the classification of the Police Force dated 14th April from Superintendent Allison, which had already been circulated to the Committee, was discussed, and Mr. Gilman proposed and Mr. Martin seconded that the scheme now submitted by Superintendent Allison for the classification of the police force be sanctioned, on the understanding that due regard to present seniority be observed as far as possible.

OPICM.

The Chairman stated that since last meeting the Police had made more raids, notably on Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company's and the British American Tobacco Company's compounds, and had arrested some men and seized a quantity of opium and gear. The men arrested had been suitably dealt with. The Police are exercising great surveillance and it is hoped in time to stamp out this evil.

The new Bye-law 40 dealing with opium and gambling, which was passed at the last meeting of landowners and ratepayers and since sanctioned by H.B.M. Minister at Peking, has been circulated to all householders and is now in force.

The Bye-law reads: "Any person, being a tenant within the Concession, who knowingly allows his premises to be used for the purpose of gambling or opium smoking, shall be liable to a fine of not exceeding \$100 for each offence."

SANITARY.

The Chairman stated that he had addressed a letter to the China Baptist Publication Society on the subject of the Insanitary state of lots Nos. 70 and 80, since when they had communicated with the Medical Officer with a view to making the necessary alterations.

Acting on the suggestion of Mr. D. H. Cameron, it was decided to provide proper garbage cans for use in the Settlement to be supplied to householders at cost price and the use of the pattern chosen to be made compulsory.

LIFE POLICY EX-SUBSISTENT BUNDLE.

The sum of \$1,070.50, being the cash surrender value of policy 148,125 A. G. Hyndley, has been received from the agents of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada. This amount was not included in the estimates presented at the last meeting of landowners and ratepayers.

FINANCE.

It was decided to transfer to the credit of the Waterworks account fixed deposit \$9,650.75 due on the 8th May.

The Chairman suggested that all other available funds might also be transferred at once to the credit of the Waterworks account with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, in order to decrease as much as possible the overdraft on which interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum is being paid. Mr. Lanning, the Hon. Treasurer, will give these matters his attention.

SHAMSEEN WATERWORKS.

Correspondence between the French Consul and the Council was laid before the meeting, and the Chairman stated he had had the pleasure of an interview with the French Consul on the subject of supply of water to the French Concession. The outcome of this interview was that the French Consul had very courteously given permission verbally, and since in writing, to this Council to extend the water mains on to the French Concession on condition that an undertaking was given to advise him in writing before any excavations were made and to put all roads, etc., in order after the pipes had been laid. This undertaking had already been given. The Chairman further stated that the French Municipality had decided not to take the water, but will raise no objection if householders on the French Concession wish to avail themselves of our supply. In this connection the French Consul had kindly agreed to let the Council make its own terms with those taking the water.

The advisability of having an auxiliary electric motor in case of the remote possibility of the two gas engines breaking down at the same time was discussed, and it was decided not to do anything for the matter at present. On the proposal of Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Carey, it was decided to accept Messrs. C. E. Warren and Company's tender for \$800 for cold water installation in the Police Station as per their letter of the 26th April.

PRESENTATION TO MR. R. H. CHAPMAN.

It was decided to write Home to Messrs. Mangin and Webb and other firms and ask them to submit a design for a centre bowl on obelisk stand to be suitably adapted to cost £50 net.

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